Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages \$4603-4705

Measures Introduced: Twenty-four bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 871–894, S. Res. 111–113, and S. Con. Res. 19.

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Measures Reported:

Special Report entitled "Report on the Resolution (S. Res. 73) Authorizing Expenditures by Committees of the Senate". (S. Rept. No. 111–14)

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Measures Passed:

National Adopt A Library Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 113, designating April 23, 2009, as "National Adopt A Library Day". Pages \$4704-05

Authorizing the Use of Emancipation Hall in the Capitol Visitor Center: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 86, authorizing the use of Emancipation Hall in the Capitol Visitor Center for the unveiling of a bust of Sojourner Truth.

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Acceptance of a Statue of Ronald Wilson Reagan: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 101, providing for the acceptance of a statue of Ronald Wilson Reagan from the people of California for placement in the United States Capitol.

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Measures Considered:

Fraud Enforcement and Recovery Act—Agreement: Senate continued consideration of S. 386, to improve enforcement of mortgage fraud, securities fraud, financial institution fraud, and other frauds related to federal assistance and relief programs, for the recovery of funds lost to these frauds, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

Page S4604-4641, S4657

Adopted:

Schumer Amendment No. 1006, to provide additional funding to the SEC to use in enforcement proceedings.

Pages S4614–15, S4621

Rejected:

By 31 yeas to 61 nays (Vote No. 162), Kyl Amendment No. 986, to limit the amount that may be deducted from proceeds due to the United States under the False Claims Act for purposes of compensating private intervenors to the greater of \$50,000,000 or 300 percent of the expenses and cost of the intervenor. Pages \$4604, \$4609-11, \$4617

Pending:

Reid Amendment No. 984, to increase funding for certain HUD programs to assist individuals to better withstand the current mortgage crisis.

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Inhofe Amendment No. 996 (to Amendment No. 984), to amend title 4, United States Code, to declare English as the national language of the Government of the United States.

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Vitter Amendment No. 991, to authorize and remove impediments to the repayment of funds received under the Troubled Asset Relief Program.

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Boxer Modified Amendment No. 1000, to authorize monies for the Special Inspector General for the Troubled Asset Relief Program to audit and investigate recipients of non-recourse Federal loans under the Public Private Investment Program and the Term Asset Loan Facility. Pages S4604, S4616–17, S4631

Coburn Amendment No. 982, to authorize the use of TARP funds to cover the costs of the bill.

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Thune Amendment No. 1002, to require the Secretary of the Treasury to use any amounts repaid by a financial institution that is a recipient of assistance under the Troubled Assets Relief Program for debt reduction.

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DeMint Amendment No. 994, to prohibit the use of Troubled Asset Relief Program funds for the purchase of common stock.

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Coburn Amendment No. 983, to require the Inspector General of the Federal Housing Finance Agency to investigate and report on the activities of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac that may have contributed to the current mortgage crisis. Pages \$4608-09

Kohl Amendment No. 990, to protect older Americans from misleading and fraudulent marketing practices, with the goal of increasing retirement security.

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Ensign Amendment No. 1004, to impose certain requirements on public-private investment fund programs.

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